

	Facility No., name, and location of stockyard	Date of posting
NY-171	Town & Country Auction Services Schuylerville, New York	September 10, 1993.
PA-156	Mel's Stable New Holland, Pennsylvania	December 2, 1992.
VT-112	Northeast Kingdom Sales, Inc. Barton, Vermont	February 16, 1995.

Done at Washington, D.C. this 22nd day of June 1995

Daniel L. Van Ackeren,

*Director, Livestock Marketing Division,
Packers and Stockyards Programs.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Marine Mammals

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Issuance of scientific research permit no. 965 (P66J).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (principal investigator: Donald Calkins), 333 Raspberry Road, Anchorage, AK 99518-1599, has been issued a permit to take Steller sea lions (*Eumetopias jubatus*) and California sea lions (*Zalophus californianus*) for the purpose of scientific research.

ADDRESSES: The permit and related documents are available for review by interested persons in the following offices by appointment:

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Director, Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK, 99802-1668 (907/586-7221); and

Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA, 90802-4213 (310/980-4001).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kellie M. Foster (301/713-1401) or Ruth Johnson (301/713-2289).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On April 21, 1995, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (60 FR 19888) that a permit had been requested by the above-named organization. The requested permit has been granted under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the

Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA), as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the Regulations Governing the Taking, Importing, and Exporting of Endangered Species (50 CFR part 222).

The permit authorized the holder to take a maximum of 125 Steller sea lions (*Eumetopias jubatus*) by trapping, darting, sampling, and gas anesthesia (including a maximum of 20 by recapture for follow-up blood sampling and removal of instruments); a maximum of 400 Steller pups over 6 months old by hand capture, gas anesthesia, and marking; a maximum of 10,000 Stellers by harassment during the course of capturing suitable animals; a maximum of 15 Stellers by unintentional mortality during the course of capture and chemical immobilization and salvaged specimens of stranded animals, premature pups, and mortalities associated with this and other research activities. The applicant is also authorized to take up to 30 rehabilitated California sea lions (*Zalophus californianus*) by injection with experimental immobilization drugs and a maximum of 3 for unintentional mortality. All takes will be over a 5-year period. The objectives of the research are to: (1) Develop a consistent, safe, and reliable chemical restraint and anesthesia protocol for various age classes and sexes of Steller sea lions using California sea lions; (2) determine the differences between movements, feeding patterns, diving behavior, habitat use, and patterns of the eastern and western stocks to better understand the significance of interactions between Steller sea lions and commercial fisheries; (3) determine the differences of condition indices, the prevalence of disease agents, and the levels of pollutants found in tissues between the eastern and western stocks; (4) determine dispersal area and extent of mixing of eastern and western stock pups; and (5) develop and test a safe and reliable winter capturing method for sea lions.

Issuance of this permit, as required by the Endangered Species Act of 1973, was based on a finding that such permit: (1) Was applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which is the subject of this permit; and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the Endangered Species Act.

Dated: June 20, 1995.

Ann D. Terbush,

*Chief, Permits & Documentation Division,
Office of Protected Resources, National
Marine Fisheries Service.*

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Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council's Groundfish Management Team will hold a public meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on July 17 beginning at 10:00 a.m. and may go into the evening until business for the day is completed, and on July 18 from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the NMFS Alaska Fisheries Science Center, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, Room 2079, Building 4, Seattle, WA.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 2130 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 224, Portland, OR 97201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Glock, Groundfish Fishery Management Coordinator; telephone: (503) 326-6352.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The primary purpose of this meeting is to review the draft stock assessments and assignments arising from the June 26-29, 1995, Council meeting.

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Michelle Sailer at (503) 326-6352 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: June 26, 1995.

Richard W. Surdi,

*Acting Director, Office of Fisheries
Conservation and Management, National
Marine Fisheries Service.*

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